

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace line 26 of page 3 with the following line:

structure having a density of 3.0 lbs. per cubic foot which is critical to the design and is significant. The foam structure

Please replace line 15 of page 8 with the following line:
linked polyethylene foam having a desirable density per cubic foot.

Please replace line 16 of page 8 with the following line:
Referring to Figure 4, the upper

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 1 of page 8, and ending on line 8 of page 8 with the following paragraph:

As shown in Figures 1,2 and 3, the apparatus 10 also has a flat narrow surface 18 circumnavigating the perimeter of the upper surface 12. The flat narrow surface 18 facilitates a smooth transition between the flat upper surface 12 and the convex lower surface 16. Designing the apparatus 10 to include the flat narrow surface 18 ensures that the outer perimeter of the upper surface 12 is not characterized by a very thin section of material that includes a relatively sharp edge.

Please replace in the Summary of the Invention (Disclosure), page 4, lines 7-17, with the following amended lines:

In a preferred embodiment, the first surface is generally elliptical, having a major diameter and a minor diameter. A thickness is defined as the distance from the first surface to the second surface measured along a line approximately normal to the first surface and passing through the intersection of the major and minor diameters, the length of the major diameter being critical to the design and significant is 13.5 inches, the length of the minor diameter being critical to the design and significant is 6.0 inches, and the thickness being critical to the design and significant is 3.0 inches. A circumferential band can be included to provide a smooth transition between the flat upper surface and the convex lower surface.

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